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Letter dated 12 July 2010 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

Annexed hereto are the work programmes for the Committee established pursuant to paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) and its Executive Directorate, covering the period from 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010 (see annexes).

The activities of the Committee will proceed pursuant to the provisions of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001), 1535 (2004), 1566 (2004), 1624 (2005) and 1805 (2008).

The Committee will continue to work with Member States on the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001), guided by the principles of cooperation, transparency, even-handedness and consistency in approach. The Committee will remain focused on monitoring and promoting the implementation by Member States of resolution 1373 (2001) and on taking practical measures to enhance the counter-terrorism capacity of States, including measures aimed at facilitating technical assistance. Furthermore, the Committee will maintain dialogue with States on the implementation of Security Council resolution 1624 (2005), and it will continue to contribute to the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy.

The Counter-Terrorism Committee welcomes the support it has received from Member States, the United Nations Secretariat and international, regional and subregional organizations, and expresses its appreciation for the assistance of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Ertuğrul **Apakan**
Chairman
Security Council Committee established pursuant
to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

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Annex

Work programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010

I. Introduction

1. The Counter-Terrorism Committee is required to monitor and promote the implementation by Member States of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001), in accordance with the provisions of the resolution. The Committee is further directed to include in its dialogue with Member States their efforts to implement Security Council resolution 1624 (2005).

2. Security Council resolution 1805 (2008), the review report of the Committee (S/2006/989), the statement by the President of the Security Council (S/PRST/2006/56) and the report of the Committee (S/2009/289) constitute the guidance for the work of the Committee and its Executive Directorate.

II. Work programme

3. The Committee will continue to pursue a more strategic and transparent approach to its work and seek to raise the visibility of its work within the wider United Nations and counter-terrorism community. In doing so, the Committee, in close consultation with the Executive Directorate and the Secretariat, will continue to streamline its working methods, as appropriate, to allow it to devote more time to achieving the following priority objectives:

A. Monitoring and promoting the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001)

4. The Committee and its Executive Directorate will collaborate actively with Member States to facilitate the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001).

5. The Committee will continue to consider the outstanding preliminary implementation assessments, in accordance with the revised procedures of the Committee for the stocktaking exercise with respect to progress made by Member States in the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001). It will then send the preliminary implementation assessments and the recommendations to the Member States concerned, for the appropriate action.

6. The Committee will continue conducting the stocktaking exercise on the basis of the updated preliminary implementation assessments.

7. The Committee will submit, on the basis of a report prepared by the Executive Directorate, a report to the Security Council for consideration by the Council as part of its comprehensive review of the work of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate prior to the expiration of its mandate on 31 December 2010, in accordance with resolution 1805 (2008).

8. The Committee will continue discussions on thematic issues proposed by the Chairman on the basis of the suggestions made by the members of the Committee, the Executive Directorate and the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, and will elaborate possible additional practical proposals aimed at facilitating the implementation of the priority recommendations for the Committee's future action.

9. The Committee will consider the global survey of the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001) and ways of making it a more effective tool.

10. In close cooperation with the Security Council Committees established pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999) and 1540 (2004) and in accordance with its mandate, the Committee will pay special attention to States for which information on implementation of resolution 1373 (2001) is lacking, and discuss how best to address the issue and how to enhance the dialogue with these Member States.

11. The Committee will also continue to consider additional ways of addressing the cases of States that do not meet the requirements of resolution 1373 (2001), with a view to increasing their cooperation and dialogue with the Committee.

12. The Committee will continue to follow the status of preparation of visits to be undertaken in the period from July 2010 to December 2010. The Committee will also take steps to ensure that visits conducted to States with their consent have the effect of enhancing their implementation of resolution 1373 (2001), assess the results of such visits and consider the appropriate follow-up action.

13. The Committee will, on the basis of concrete recommendations by the Executive Directorate on the modalities and format, consider organizing the following two special meetings for the purpose of furthering the implementation of the 2009 global survey of the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001):

(a) A special meeting of the Committee with international, regional and subregional organizations;

(b) A special meeting open to the wider membership and regional organizations to review global efforts to implement resolution 1373 (2001).

14. The Committee will consider the implementation of the recommendations contained in the interim review of the work of the Executive Directorate.

15. In order to enhance transparency, the Chairman of the Committee will hold periodic informal briefings for Member States, as appropriate, on the work of the Committee. In addition, the Chairman will request the Executive Directorate, in close cooperation with relevant members of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, to hold periodic briefings for Member States on thematic aspects of resolution 1373 (2001).

16. The Committee will organize and proceed with the preparations of a seminar that will bring together Member State practitioners in an area relevant to the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001).

17. The Committee continues to call for the closest cooperation among the expert groups of the three Security Council Committees established pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1373 (2001) and 1540 (2004), including, as appropriate, on information-sharing and visits, and looks forward to receiving information from the Executive Directorate on the implementation of common strategies.

B. Facilitating technical assistance to States

18. The Committee will continue to pay close attention to facilitating technical assistance. In this context, the Committee will continue to look for opportunities to match current and potential donors/providers with recipients in order to enhance the

dialogue between the donor community and recipient countries and to further the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001).

19. The Committee, including through the Executive Directorate, will intensify cooperation with relevant international, regional and subregional organizations, with a view to enhancing the capacity of Member States to fully implement resolution 1373 (2001) and to facilitating the provision of technical assistance.

20. The Committee, with the contribution of the Executive Directorate, and in close cooperation, as appropriate, with the support office of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force and relevant entities, as well as with other bilateral and regional assistance providers, will continue to assess technical assistance needs, with a view to exploring ways of facilitating the provision of assistance to relevant Member States.

C. Maintaining dialogue with States on the implementation of Security Council resolution 1624 (2005)

21. The Committee will continue to encourage States that have not yet submitted a report on their implementation of resolution 1624 (2005) to do so.

22. On the basis of the reports received from States and the information gathered during its on-site visits, the Committee will pursue discussions to explore the needs of States for technical assistance in implementing resolution 1624 (2005) and facilitate the provision of such assistance, as appropriate.

D. Implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

23. On the basis of the Executive Directorate's participation in the activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, the Committee will continue to contribute to the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy.

24. The Executive Directorate will brief the Committee, on a regular basis, on its activities within the framework of its participation with the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force.

25. The Committee will continue its discussions on issues related to the implementation of the Global Strategy.

III. Other

26. The Committee, in close consultation with the Executive Directorate and the Secretariat, will consider possible ways of streamlining its working methods.

27. The Committee will continue its cooperation and dialogue with relevant international and regional organizations on its counter-terrorism endeavours.

28. By the end of December 2010, the Committee will formulate and agree on an updated work programme for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2011.

Appendix

Work programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010

I. Introduction

1. The work programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010 has been prepared in accordance with the relevant provisions of the report of the Counter-Terrorism Committee on its revitalization (S/2004/124, annex) and takes into account the work programme of the Committee for the same period. It also takes into account the Security Council's interim review of the work of the Executive Directorate and the report of the Committee to the Council for consideration as part of that interim review (S/2009/289, annex).

2. The Executive Directorate will continue to help the Committee to achieve its objectives in the areas defined in the Committee's work programme, to report regularly to the Committee on its work, including in its semi-annual report, and to respond to any additional requests made during the reporting period. The Executive Directorate will submit a report, for the consideration of the Committee, as part of the comprehensive review of its work by the Security Council prior to the expiration of the mandate of the Executive Directorate on 31 December 2010, in accordance with Security Council resolution 1805 (2008).

II. Monitoring and promoting implementation of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001)

3. The Executive Directorate will submit to the subcommittees the outstanding files of Member States, including cover notes, draft letters and preliminary implementation assessments, for consideration and further submission to the Committee as part of its ongoing stocktaking process. The Executive Directorate will also continue its constructive dialogue with Member States, through meetings held at United Nations Headquarters, visits, workshops and videoconferences with officials in the relevant capitals, in order to inform the Committee of implementation by Member States of elements of relevant counter-terrorism resolutions, including updates to the preliminary implementation assessments, new counter-terrorism steps taken and updates to the facilitation of technical assistance.

4. In close cooperation with the relevant international, regional and subregional organizations and on behalf of the Committee, the Executive Directorate will prepare and conduct visits to up to seven Member States, with their consent, as approved by the Committee. It will also continue to update the Committee on a regular basis regarding follow-up to its previous visits to Member States.

5. The Executive Directorate will further enhance its cooperation with the relevant United Nations bodies, including the Monitoring Team of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) and the Expert Group of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as well as with various international, regional and subregional organizations, including in the context of the Committee's visits to Member States. In this context,

the Executive Directorate will further extend promotion of the common strategy on the submission of responses by States that was jointly developed with the Monitoring Team and the Expert Group.

6. During the reporting period, the Executive Directorate, acting together with donors and other relevant partner organizations, will facilitate the third in a series of regional workshops for police officers and prosecutors in South Asia on effectively countering terrorism. The third workshop will take place in Indonesia and will address in detail the regional shortcomings identified during the first workshop, held in Bangladesh in November 2009.

7. Under the guidance of the Committee, the Executive Directorate will participate actively in and support all relevant activities under the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, including through active involvement in the Integrated Assistance for Countering Terrorism initiative of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force.

8. The Executive Directorate will assist the Committee in its consideration of the modalities and format of a special meeting of the Committee with international, regional and subregional organizations and of a special meeting open to the wider membership and regional organizations aimed at reviewing global efforts to implement resolution 1373 (2001). The Executive Directorate will make concrete recommendations to the Committee in this regard.

9. The Executive Directorate will organize a seminar for practitioners in an area relevant to the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001).

10. The Executive Directorate will follow up on the successful outcome of its workshop on challenges to effective border control (Kenya, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania), with a view to conducting other such workshops in other subregions.

11. The Executive Directorate will contribute to the discussions on thematic and regional issues of relevance to the Committee's work by making presentations to the Committee on issues related to the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001). The Executive Directorate will also continue to hold thematic briefings for the wider United Nations membership, in accordance with the request of the Committee.

III. Facilitating the delivery of technical assistance to States

12. The Executive Directorate will continue to promote its revised strategy for facilitating the delivery of technical assistance to States by strengthening its relations with bilateral and multilateral donors through, inter alia, close engagement with the Group of Eight Counter-Terrorism Action Group and the European Union. It will also assist the Committee in its assessment of technical assistance needs aimed at exploring ways of more effectively facilitating technical assistance to relevant Member States, as appropriate, in close coordination with the Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

13. The Executive Directorate will maintain and regularly update its database of information on all its referrals, its directory of detailed profiles of donors and providers of technical assistance, and its database of best practices.

IV. Human rights and implementation of resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005)

14. In accordance with the Committee's policy guidance on human rights, the Executive Directorate will continue to take into account the human rights aspects of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005). This work will include contributing relevant information for inclusion in the preliminary implementation assessments; ensuring attention to relevant human rights issues in the planning and conduct of country visits, including relevant information in visit reports; and promoting a consistent approach to human rights issues in all Executive Directorate activities. The Executive Directorate will continue to liaise with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council on the promotion and protection of human rights while countering terrorism, and other human rights entities, as appropriate. It will also strengthen its analytical framework through continued participation in the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force Working Group on Protecting Human Rights while Countering Terrorism.

15. The Executive Directorate will continue to include the issue of implementation of resolution 1624 (2005) in its dialogue with States, and will actively encourage those States that have not yet submitted a report on their implementation of the resolution to do so. The Executive Directorate will introduce a thematic discussion on resolution 1624 (2005) at a Committee meeting, reflecting on possible approaches to promoting more effective implementation of the resolution and facilitating technical assistance, as appropriate.

V. Information and Administration Office

16. The Executive Directorate will become more actively engaged in promoting the Committee's communications strategy in order to enhance understanding of the work of the United Nations, the Committee and the Executive Directorate in the field of counter-terrorism, especially their efforts to implement the relevant Security Council mandates and the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy.

17. The Administration and Information Office will continue to update the Committee's website and work to translate the new design and content changes to the website into the other five official languages of the United Nations. The Executive Directorate will, as needed, continue to update and distribute the Committee's press kits, in hard copy and electronic format, and continue to distribute copies of the "Technical guide to the implementation of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001)", both in hard copy in English and electronically in all six official languages. The global survey on the implementation of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) will also be distributed in hard copy in all six official languages.

18. The Administration and Information Office will continue to ensure that all documentation submitted to the Committee is accurate and consistent. It will also continue to circulate documents through the new "document tracker" located on the secure part of the website, in order to promote effective and timely distribution of information among Member States and the Secretariat. User names and passwords

will continue to be changed quarterly in order to protect the viability of the information.

19. The Administration and Information Office will continue to upgrade the database and computer systems of the Executive Directorate, improve access for staff of the Monitoring Team and the "1540 Expert Group" and work to provide access to the staff of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force and of the Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. Sharing database information promotes greater efficiency and effectiveness in our common work, better integrates implementation of separate mandates and avoids duplication of effort.

20. The Administration and Information Office will submit a 2011 budget for the Executive Directorate to the Comptroller's Office for consideration by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly.